# Village of Pewamo Regular Meeting Minutes October 9, 2017

Present: Randy Zenk, Dan Heckman, Michael Yerge, Joni Jegla, Carl Hafner, Sandy Wolniakowski, Mike Scollon, & Rob Sterner Absent: Jim Cassel and Steve Meyers

President Zenk began the meeting at 7:00 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Zenk called for review of the Meeting Agenda:

**A MOTION WAS MADE** by Trustee Yerge to approve the Meeting Agenda. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Heckman. Three votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED**.

#### **President Zenk's Comments to Council:**

➤ President Zenk noted that the emergency siren is sounding at 12:15 instead of noon. Michael Yerge commented that the work being done at the station is causing them to turn off the power and is throwing off the timer.

### Review of Council Regular Meeting Minutes, Account Activity, Payables, and Receivables:

Clerk added Westphalia Milling and Pohl Oil to the list of payables.

**A MOTION WAS MADE** by Trustee Heckman to approve the information presented with additions. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Jegla. Three votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED**.

## Treasurer's Report: Presented by Carl Hafner

Carl and Sandy had reviewed the current budget and presented suggested amendments to Council.

**A MOTION WAS MADE** by Trustee Jegla to approve the budget amendments. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Yerge. Three votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED**.

- ➤ Michigan Rural Water did a Sewer Rate Study for the Village as a necessary part of the SAW Grant.
  - o There is no need to change the current rates.
  - It is recommended that a portion of Sewer Funds be earmarked as follows: \$100,000 for Lagoon Cleaning and \$75,000 for Equipment RRI. Continued annual funding of these accounts will be \$10,600 for the RRI and \$6,000 for the Lagoon Cleaning.
  - Carl proposed which funds will be earmarked and to continue the funding using the Major and Local Street repayments to Sewer.

**A MOTION WAS MADE** by Trustee Heckman to approve the treasurer's proposals to set up and fund the Sewer Lagoon Cleaning and Equipment RRI funds. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Yerge. Three votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED**.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- ➤ Office Copier: Is nearly ten years old and is in need of cleaning or replacement. Council supports cleaning, unless the costs become excessive.
- ➤ **Sign & Planter Replacement:** Simon Brothers will be covering the costs to replace the welcome sign and planter damaged as a result of their truck leaving the road. The orders have been placed.
- ➤ Ice Skating Rink: Tabled until November
- ➤ Michigan Trails Ad: Tabled until November
- ➤ MML Trustee Vote: Council supports voting for all trustees up for election.
- ➤ Update on Fire Department Building Renovations and Funds Remaining: Following the roofing of the pole barn, the Village will have spent just over \$2,000 more than the revenues from the sale of the old station and the donations received to date.

# **DPW Report: Presented by Mike Scollon**

- Fire Department: Mark Swanson, General Contractor will provide estimates for the grant. Mark also supports Mike Scollon's plan for bracing the east and north walls together.
- ➤ Leaf Pick Up: Leaf pick up began this week and will continue as needed until November 13. DPW expects that once a week may be sufficient until we receive our first hard frost.
- > Tree Planting: Tree planting under the Consumer's Energy grant will begin soon.
- **Pewamo Cemetery:** Steve Yenshire and crew are working in the cemetery and should have everything off the ground by winter. The remaining work will be completed next summer.
- ➤ **Volleyball:** DPW completed the removal of one court, by moving sand to the remaining court and filling in the site with black dirt. Grass has been planted and is coming in.
- > **SAW Grant:** Bruce Pindzia of F&V reported that they are on track and on budget. He hopes to attend the November meeting to update Council.
- **Government Vehicle Program:** Mike researched the benefits of this for the future.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- ➤ Lyon's Twp. Fire Contract: Meeting has been set for October 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00. President Randy Zenk and Fire Chief Jim Cassel plan to attend on behalf of the Village.
- ➤ Mutual Data: Randy visited Mutual Data and presented them with a letter from the Village indicating that the lease agreement for their equipment on the water tower must be executed by November 1, 2017 to avoid the Village taking further action.

### **BLIGHT CONCERNS:**

Mike updated Council on actions and letters to date and reminded Council that this is a group effort. If Council is aware of blight concerns, they need to call it to our attention.

### FINAL ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:

**Carl Hafner:** Carl asked if the final water tower work had been completed. Horizon Brothers has indicated that they plan to do this in October.

**A MOTION WAS MADE** by Trustee Jegla to adjourn the meeting at 7:54. **MOTION SUPPORTED** by Trustee Yerge. Three votes in favor, none opposed, two absent. **MOTION APPROVED**.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Sandy Wolniakowski and will be presented for approval at the November 13, 2017 meeting.